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Want to Cut Costs on Your Farm Vehicles?



As a farm operator, you have two options to reduce the cost of operating your farm vehicles in Illinois.

- Farm registrations allow you to pay reduced fees over the flat weight tax fees depending on the gross weight of your vehicle.
- Mileage tax registrations allow you to register your trucks, tractors and trailers traveling a limited number of miles within Illinois.

Please read carefully about these two options. If you need more information, please contact the Commercial and Farm Truck Division at (217) 785-1815 or 785-1818.

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MILEAGE TAX REGISTRATION FEES

GROSS WEIGHT OF VEHICLE AND LOAD	INITIAL FEE REQUIRED BY LAW	MAXIMUM MILEAGE PERMITTED UNDER GUARANTEED TAX	RATE EXCESS MILEAGE	CLASS
12,000 or less	\$ 68.00	5,000	.021	MD
12,001 - 16,000 lbs.	106.00	6,000	.027	MF
16,001 - 20,000 lbs.	154.00	6,000	.037	MG
20,001 - 24,000 lbs.	198.00	6,000	.050	MH
24,001 - 28,000 lbs.	262.00	7,000	.050	MJ
28,001 - 32,000 lbs.	318.00	7,000	.066	MK
32,001 - 36,000 lbs.	398.00	7,000	.079	ML
36,001 - 40,000 lbs.	502.00	7,000	.102	MN
40,001 - 45,000 lbs.	566.00	7,000	.111	MP
45,001 - 54,999 lbs.	692.00	7,000	.125	MR
55,000 - 59,500 lbs.	746.00	7,000	.142	MS
59,501 - 64,000 lbs.	798.00	7,000	.156	MT
64,001 - 73,280 lbs.	916.00	7,000	.180	MV
73,281 - 77,000 lbs.	1,040.00	7,000	.206	MX
77,001 - 80,000 lbs.	1,110.00	7,000	.220	MZ

TRAILER

14,000 or less	70.00	5,000	.025	TM
14,001 - 20,000 lbs.	118.00	6,000	.029	TM
20,001 - 36,000 lbs.	442.00	7,000	.082	TM
36,001 - 40,000 lbs.	610.00	7,000	.120	TM

Mileage Tax Registration

Illinois law recognizes that some vehicles operating in-state travel a very limited number of miles, and operators of applicable vehicles should be charged less in fees than those for long distance carriers. Therefore, Illinois offers mileage tax registration.

Mileage tax registration, as opposed to flat weight tax registration, allows operators to pay reduced fees for vehicles driven a limited number of miles in Illinois,.

Trucks, tractors and trailers may qualify for the registration, but mileage tax registration is for **in-state use only**. Mileage plates are issued on a fiscal-year basis.

MILEAGE TAX FEES:

Fees are determined by the gross weight of the vehicle and amount of miles driven. Operators are allowed 5,000, 6,000 or 7,000 miles depending on the weight of their vehicles and loads (*see chart*). Operators of trucks and trailers exceeding the mileage limitations are charged additional fees based on excess mileage rates. **All** miles generated by a mileage tax registered vehicle must be reported.

SECURITY FOR EXCESS MILEAGE:

Surety bonds of \$500 per vehicle are required by the Secretary of State's office as a guarantee of payment of excess fees. Such bonds must be from surety companies approved by the Illinois Department of Insurance. In addition, the name on the bond must be identical to the name of the registration application. The applicant's signature must be notarized, and bonding companies must attach to each bond a Power of Attorney along with acknowledgment of surety.

MILEAGE RECORDS:

Because of the mileage requirements, vehicles with mileage tax registration must have odometers. Trailers are required to have hub-o-meters.

Truckers must maintain beginning and ending meter readings for each fiscal year (*July 1 – June 30*). These records must be maintained for a three-year period and are subject to audit. In addition, truck operators are required to maintain daily mileage records. Summaries of these records must be submitted semiannually to the Secretary of State's office.

Forms for reporting semiannual mileage are provided. These forms are mailed to applicants twice a year during December and June and must be returned respectively by the tenth of January and July.

Mileage tax registrations are subject to suspension or revocation for failure to report mileage, as well as for operating vehicles with disconnected or broken odometers.

MORE ABOUT MILEAGE REGISTRATIONS:

Mileage tax registration is binding for the fiscal registration year. Therefore, reclassification to flat weight tax registration is not permitted during the effective year. Mileage tax license plates cannot be transferred to a vehicle which is already registered with mileage tax plates.

Mileage tax registration is available only from:

Secretary of State
COMMERCIAL & FARM TRUCK DIVISION
Centennial Building
2nd and Edwards
Springfield, Illinois 62756
(217) 785-1815 or 785-1818

Farm Registration

Farm Registration may be used for straight trucks, truck tractors, and trailers used in various farming operations. Farm plates are issued on a fiscal-year basis (July 1 – June 30).

To qualify for farm registration, an applicable vehicle must be used exclusively by the owner for agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising purposes. Such vehicles, however, are not for hire.

Farm registration also applies to trucks, tractors, and trailers used in for-hire transportation of seasonal, fresh and perishable fruit or vegetables from the farm to the point of first processing.

FARM PLATES:

Each farm owner is allowed five farm plates; only two of these five vehicles may exceed 54,999 gross weight per vehicle. In addition, each farm owner may obtain farm plates for a maximum of two trailers.

OTHER OPTIONS:

Farm operators who require more than the total of five farm registrations have two other options — Mileage Tax Registration and Flatweight Tax Registration. If a farm operator has six farm vehicles to be registered, then either mileage tax or flatweight tax registration must be obtained for one of the vehicles. The most appropriate type of registration would depend on the farmer's particular farm operation and the time of registration.

OUT-OF-STATE USE:

Illinois Farm registration is recognized by other states. Before entering another state, however, truck operators should check with that state's motor vehicle department to determine if additional documents and/or fees are required for out-of-state vehicles.

FARM REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE

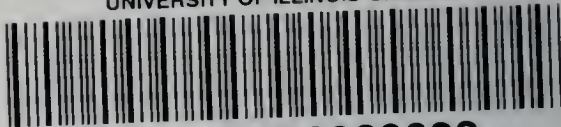
Gross Weight in Lbs. including Vehicles and maximum load	Class	Total Fees per Year
16,000 or less	VF	\$ 120.00
16,001 – 20,000 lbs.	VG	180.00
20,001 – 24,000 lbs.	VH	230.00
24,001 – 28,000 lbs.	VJ	302.00
28,001 – 32,000 lbs.	VK	404.00
32,001 – 36,000 lbs.	VL	486.00
36,001 – 45,000 lbs.	VP	648.00
45,001 – 54,999 lbs.	VR	820.00
55,000 – 64,000 lbs.	VT	960.00
64,001 – 73,280 lbs.	VV	1,000.00
73,281 – 77,000 lbs.	VX	1,048.00
77,001 – 80,000 lbs.	VZ	1,160.00

TRAILER FEE SCHEDULE

10,000 or less	VDD	48.00
10,001 – 14,000 lbs.	VDE	84.00
14,001 – 20,000 lbs.	VDG	132.00
20,001 – 28,000 lbs.	VDJ	302.00
28,001 – 36,000 lbs.	VDL	518.00

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